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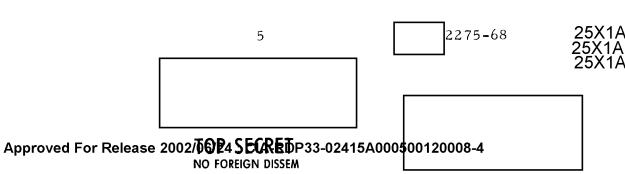
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	Minutes of Meeting Held in Auditorium 1000-1300, Inursday, Il July 1968	25X1A
	PRESIDING	
	Chairman	25X1A
	MEMBERS PRESENT	
25X1A	Mr. L. A. Moyer, Jr., State DIA Col. C. C. Clayton, OACSI Capt. S. E. Sloan, ONI Col. R. W. Kane, AFNIN NSA CIA	25X1A 25X1A
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	New Dry Film Processing Concept	25X1A
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	a. That the complete processing system be transportable in a C-130 aircraft.	
	b. That on-the-shelf materials be used to the maximum extent possible, particularly for original negative and dupe stock material.	
	c. That the number of personnel involved be limited to four.	
	d. Any fresh water required should not exceed that which can be carried in or with the processing system.	
•	e. Power requirements not to exceed 10KW. Processor should be completely self-powered, not having to rely on external power source.	
	f. Complete system should require absolute minimum maintenance with highest reliability of operation.	
	g. That processing should be independent of ambient temperature and time.	
	h. That original negative be ultimately archival.	
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- i. That system be capable of handling thin-based materials, including 3400, 3401 and 3404 negative materials without detectable degradation below that provided by laboratory processing at a high quality fixed installation and using a capacity of up to 6000 feet of original film per day and three duplicate positive.
- j. That the processor be capable of handling film widths from 70mm to 9.5 inches.
- k. That expendable supplies shall be carried for at least 14 days of operation with the capability of being resupplied in 14 day increments. Storage life of the expendables under provisioned storage conditions shall be at least six months.
- advised also that it is the opinion of his office that Eastman Kodak has met the specifications with a proposal for what is being called a "Spin System." Eastman has developed what is being labeled as Desimat Tape, which when brought in contact with a wet film surface for about 15 seconds, will provide a completely dry film similar to that provided by conventional drying techniques. The development of Desimat Tape by Eastman Kodak is responsible for the success of the process now used in conjunction with Bimat film materials.
- 3. Briefly, the film is removed from the aircraft after a mission, taken into the processing shelter where it is introduced into one of the processors and conventional Bimat processing is employed. After the original negative has been delaminated from the Bimat film, it is brought into contact with the Desimat Tape, and within two hours, a completely dry original negative is available for printing or dupe positive processing. In the opinion of OSA tests have proved conclusively that the original negative processed using Bimat film as the processing agent yields an original negative at least as good



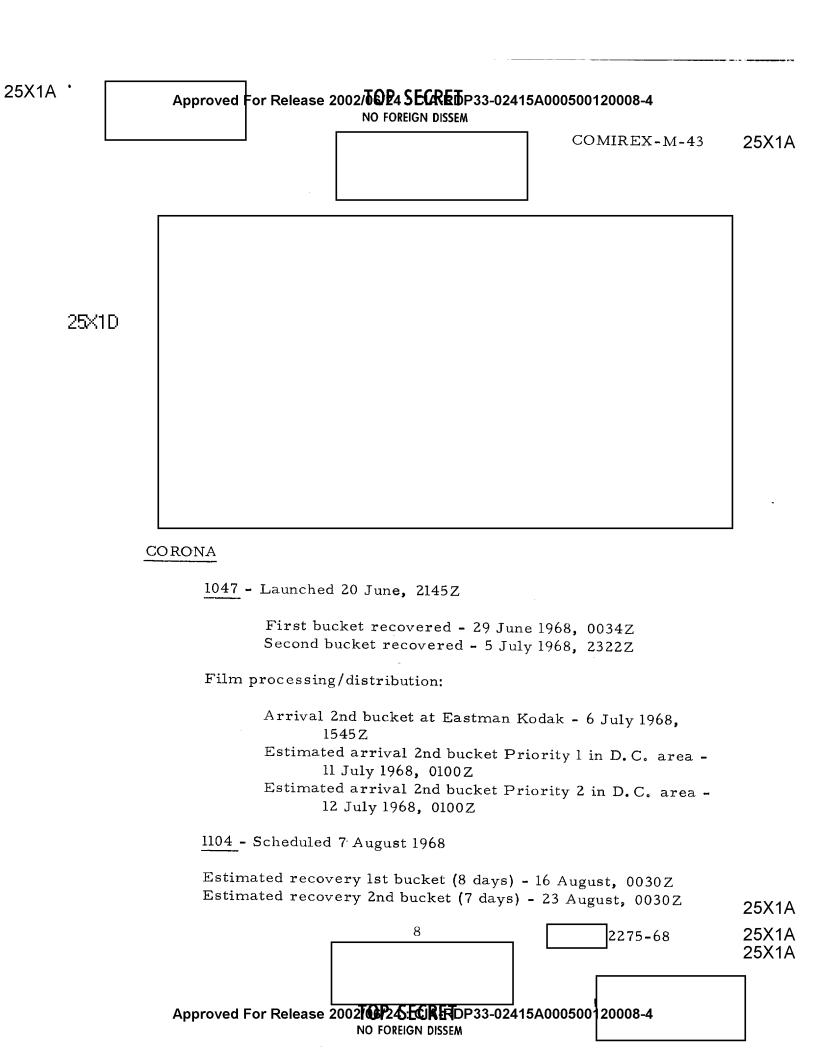
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	the Desimat Tape is a unique process and is not being duplicated by	
	any other manufacturer at this time. To the best of knowledte it is the only available rapid near dry processing system	
	available today. The only work required to produce a useable system	
	for the field is the manufacturing of the actual processing hardware. Eastman is so convinced that this sytem will prove invaluable to the	
	consumer that they have funded the manufacturer of the prototype	
	hardware themselves, and it is anticipated that the first half of the unit will be available in late August and the second half in late September.	
	The system met all of the specifications outlined by OSA and appears to	
	have considerable promise for future field use, particularly that of a tactical nature where rapid high quality original negative and positive	
	materials are needed at the reconnaissance aircraft recovery site	
	providing the P.I. with his film in a fraction of the time available using any other system or processing facility.	
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	It has not yet received NRO assessment of the proposal.	
	5. Further discussion tended to indicate that whereas the	
	work sparked by OSA seems promising it is not unique and that the EK	
25X1A	process would need to be compared to work accomplished by and ITEK. observed that NRO has given considerable	X1A
	attention to the dry processing problem and noted that some of the	
	problems have been turned over to for further action. 25 The Chairman thanked for the briefing and requested	X1A X1A
	that EXRAND develop answers to some of the questions raised by	
25X1A	as well as a comprehensive briefing on other work being done in this field.	
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Film processing/distribution:

Estimated arrival 1st bucket at Eastman Kodak -16 August, 1800Z

Estimated arrival 1st bucket Priority 1 in D.C. area - 19 August, 1600Z

Estimated arrival 1st bucket Priority 2 in D.C. area - 20 August, 1600Z

Estimated arrival 2nd bucket at Eastman Kodak -23 August, 1800Z

Estimated arrival 2nd bucket Priority 1 in D.C. area - 26 August, 1600Z

Estimated arrival 2nd bucket Priority 2 in D.C. area - 27 August, 1600Z

Projected stereo coverage:

lst bucket - Land area - 2.95 million sq. n.m. Targets - Approximately 2,400

2nd bucket - Land area - 2.95 million sq. n.m. Targets - Approximately 2,400

1048 - Scheduled 18 September 1968

Estimated recovery 1st bucket (8 days) - 27 September, 0030Z Estimated recovery 2nd bucket (8 days) - 5 October, 0030Z

Film processing/distribution:

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Estimated arrival 1st bucket Priority 1 in D.C. area - 30 September, 1600Z

Estimated arrival 1st bucket Priority 2 in D.C. area l October, 1600Z

Estimated arrival 2nd bucket at Eastman Kodak -5 October, 1800Z

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- 6. reported action against two priority South China/North Vietnam targets as follows:
 - a. Coverage of Lines of Communications (LOC) pertinent to the introduction of Chinese forces into North Vietnam (see COMOR-D-25/207, 4 March 1966). The number of LOC priority targets in South China and North Vietnam remains at 142. For the period 4 July-10 July 1968, surveillance coverage was reported on 10 priority targets in North Vietnam. The specific targets are underlined in Tab A.
 - b. Coverage of North Vietnam to detect the possible introduction or deployment of new weapons systems (see COMIREX-D-25.3/2, 20 November 1967). The area coverage reported obtained between 4 July-10 July 1968 consisted of four GIANT SCALE and five BUMPY ACTION missions. The coverage is shown on the grid map at Tab B. No SSM activity was observed.

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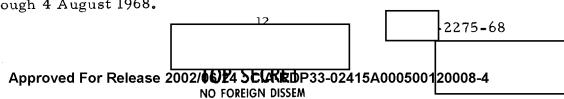
7. reported one GLASS LAMP flight in the 4-11 July period and supplied the following recapitulation:

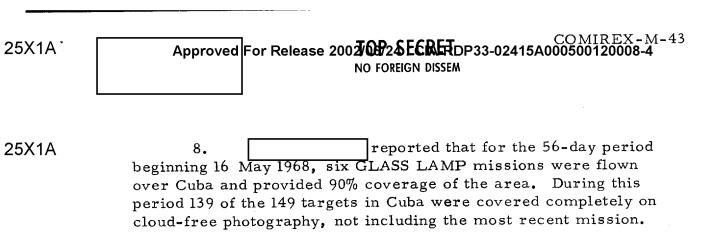
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5 July	G031	Net coverage 32%
•		Cumulative coverage 80.6%

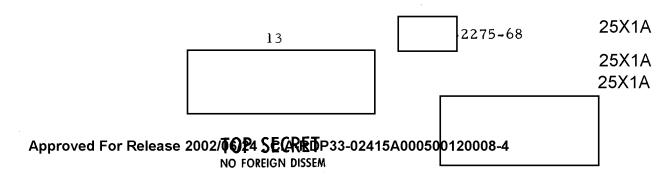
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Date	Mission No.	Net	Cumulative
12 June	G027	41.0%	41.0%
21 Jun e	G028	38.3%	65.0%
26 Jun e	G029	"H" Came	ra Mission
2 July	G030	10.2%	68.3%
5 July	G031	32.0%	80.6%

The current reporting period extends from 10 June 1968 through 4 August 1968.







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l. provided COMIREX with some high-	
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b. Mission 1047 showed two new airfields, constructed since June 1967, close to the Sino-Soviet border. Kardsuat has a runway 10,400 feet in length, the Omirlik runway is 8,685 feet. No aircraft were observed at either airfield.	
c. Semipalatinsk. FIDDLER aircraft were identified by Mission 1047 at Semipalatinsk. This is the first identification of FIDDLERs at this airfield and seven were seen.	
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	Adaptation of 1104 to Short-Arc Technique for Positioning Accuracy	
	2. A thorough discussion of various ways and means of	
	launching and operating 1104 to assist in the improvement of positioning accuracy through application of the short-arc techniques	
	were concluded with a request from the Chairman that NRO supply NPIC with specific information on the slit widths which would be	
25X1A	needed. requested that NRO do this within a time frame which would then permit NPIC to advise what degradation to	
	interpretability and loss of resolution would result from the recommended slit widths. Based on this information the Chairman	
	would consult other members as necessary and would provide NRO with a decision, by noon on 12 July, as to whether to fly the short-arc	
	mission.	
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	3. The discussion did show that in the present time frame favorable consideration of launching and operating 1104						
	for the short-arc experiment was militated against by a priority requirement for KH-4B quality photography of North Korea and						
	the need to obtain as much coverage as possible of Soviet strategic weapons systems, both offensive and defensive. Despite the realization that 400 SIOP targets are estimated to be more than						
	750 feet away from the locations presently plotted, and the SAR could improve this accuracy to better than 500 feet, the improve-						
	ment of these targeting accuracies appeared to be of a lesser						
	priority than the development of hard intelligence in the current situation. The Chairman noted also observation that SAC really wants 450-foot accuracy and needs this by mid-1969.	25X1A					
25X1A	speculated that while 1104 would be the last chance this year, it would appear that the mapping and charting community						
	might be able to plan a better mission next year. Various new aids to positioning accuracy have been discussed and might be of real benefit	0EV4A					
	in approaching the SAC requirement.	25X1A 					
	Requirement for Coverage of Santiago, Cuba, with the "H" Camera						
25X1A	4. advised that the ICRS has reaffirmed the requirement of coverage of the Santiago Camp Bunker	25X1A					
25X1D	in Cuba A specific camera system is not specified such as the "H" Camera System. A cut-off						
	date after which required solar conditions will no longer exist for 1968, is being determined by the requesting agency and will be						
	provided the operator for mission planning purposes.						
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	2.	The Ch	airman comme	nted briefly	on the revisions
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